

of Toronto, on Thursday and Friday, September the 10th and 11th, and that Revs. C. W. Watch and T. S. McKee, and R. Moment, Esq., and J. B. Aylesworth, Esq., constitute our delegation.

We also recommend that a Conference Temperance Secretary be appointed, to specially look after the interests of this work, and suggest the name of Rev. James McFarlane to this office. And we further recommend that the following resolution be placed in the hands of the Secretary of Temperance, to be forwarded to the House of Commons at a suitable time:—

Whereas, petitions to the Senate and House of Commons of the Dominion of Canada, praying for the total prohibition of the importation, manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors, for beverage purposes, have been numerously signed and presented;

We, the members of the Bay of Quinte Conference of the Methodist Church, composed of ministers and laymen in equal numbers, representing a membership of 36,591, and a constituency of over 170,000, express our hearty approval of the aforesaid petitions, and earnestly join in the prayer of the same, sincerely hoping that the honorable members of the Senate and House of Commons may see it to be in harmony with their duties, as representatives of the people, and in the interest of social and moral reform, to grant the prayer of said petitioners.

WM. LIMBERT, *Chairman.*

T. S. MCKEE, *Secretary.*

The report was received and adopted.

REPORT OF SABBATH-SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

The Annual Conference Sabbath-school Committee beg leave to report as follows:—

Number of schools, 481; increase, 88. Officers and teachers, 4,413; increase, 931. Scholars, 34,767; increase, 7,573. Conversions in schools, 1,556; increase, 230. Members of Church, 8,160; increase, 3,215. Learning catechism, 3,539; increase, 473. Pledged to total abstinence, 7,124; increase, 2,546. Volumes in library, 36,135; increase, 8,610. Moneys raised for missions, \$1,867.38; increase, \$155.58. For school purposes, \$16,975.98; increase, \$4,859.49. Sunday-school Aid and Extension Fund, \$360.75; increase, \$76. Teachers' meetings held, 65; increase, 16. Schools kept open for whole year, 270; increase, 64.

As a result of the fact that the Conference boundaries have been enlarged, and the statistics thereby increased by the addition of the Bowmanville and Uxbridge Districts, we submit the following items as showing the state of the work in the former existing territory:—Increase in number of schools, 19. Increase in officers and teachers, 146. Increase in scholars, 620. Decrease in number of conversions, 59. Increase in number of Church members, 784. Increase in number learning catechism, 113. Decrease in number taking total abstinence pledge, 401. Decrease in amount raised for missions, \$26.18. Increase in amount raised for schools, \$1,459.34. Increase in amount raised for Sunday-school Aid and Extension Fund, \$14.34. Decrease in number of teachers' meetings held, 7. Increase in number of schools kept open whole year 16.